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- 2. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time;
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- a. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
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- ii. 4 pages of claims (14 claims, 2 independent);
- iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- c. 7 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-5, 6a-6b, and 7-8); and
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